Researchers Working Group

Recommendations

WHAT RESEARCH IS NEEDED TO PROMOTE GENDER-EQUITABLE INVESTMENT IN PRIMARY AGRICULTURE?

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Reliable data

- Intra-household unit of analysis
- Disaggregated baseline data on tenure, land use, production and livelihoods
- Longitudinal
- More quantitative data needed
- Shared survey data and research designs on impact
- Technical advice to generate gender disaggregated data

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Tenure & property systems

- Diverse tenure systems and practices
- Life spans
- Socio-cultural and comparative dimensions
- Land policy approaches & implementation modalities
- Alternative property systems (beyond customary tenure or titling.... community titling, statutory protection, alternatives?)

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Voice

• ‘What do women really want??’
  – Methods to enable unmediated documentation including multi-media
  – Drawing out practical gender needs (PGN) and strategic gender interests (SGI)
  – Attending to generational differences as well as gender (eg. young women, second wives, unmarried women, etc)

• How are women affected by investments?
• Therefore: what do women really want (iterative research methods)

Investment models

• Structure, design, interests and outcomes
• Institutional arrangements
  – Reproducing or transforming gender relations (‘positive deviance’ or transgressive processes)
• History of the models
• How this affects women’s collective action
• Trends in CSR and how it is defined (and who defines it / how)
‘Success’

• What enables success?

• How to define success
  – Socio-economic
  – Environmental
  – Production / accumulation / class dynamics

• Who defines it, how ‘voice’ confirms or contests it

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Action research

• Rural communities
  – find effective ways of working with men
• Social movements
• Women farmers’ associations
• CSOs
  – Bringing rights back into development debate
  – Being a source of information; not ‘extractive’ research

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**Audiences**

- A combination of multi-stakeholder events, bringing people together
- And more targeted, bilateral, local engagements with rural communities as end-users
- Also: CSOs, traditional leaders, business (local & international), governments (incl local, district, national ministries), development agencies, G8 (Global Donors Platform on Land), post-2015 agenda.

**CAADP**

- We debated the role of research in CAADP
- We would welcome engagement with those leading the CAADP process, to identify research needs, and opportunities for existing research to be shared
- Future Agricultures and PLAAS have proposed to NEPAD to co-host an expert orientation seminar for CAADP focal points
Our challenge

• Build more effective alliances among researchers to avoid duplication and achieve maximum impact.... find creative platforms and methods of communication

• Especially: Future Agricultures, CIRAD, AWID, IIED, IISD, FAO, IFAD, DAWN, Land Matrix, LDPI